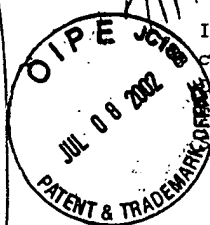


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In response to the Office Action dated 1 April 2002, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks:

Amendment A

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 1 and 7 as follow:

1. (Amended) In a decorative structure including at least two suspended elements, a support assembly comprising the following:

a support tube having a hollow interior and opposed end portions;

a pair of securing elements, each of the securing elements including slits in the end portions of the support tube located on a respective end portion of the support tube; and

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